

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Drawing amendment

The drawings have been amended as suggested by the examiner. Applicant thanks the examiner for noting the corrections required to Figs. 13 and 14.

Claim amendment

Claims 19 and 20 are amended as suggested by the examiner.

Claims 1-3 and 8-20 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by Ruhe-Greer. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 that shows that the cited reference is not a publication by another as required by 35 USC 102(a).

Claims 4-6 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ruhe-Greer in view of Greer-Ruhe. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 that shows that neither of the cited references are qualified as prior art under 35 USC 103(a).

Claim 7 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ruhe-Greer in view of Greer-Ruhe and Li-Ruhe. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 that shows that none of the cited references are qualified as prior art under 35 USC 103(a).

Claims 21-22 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ruhe-Greer in view of Greer-Ruhe. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Applicant submits herewith a declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 that shows that neither of the cited references are qualified as prior art under 35 USC 103(a).

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Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and allowance of the claims, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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